



COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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GREGORY A. WHIRLEY
ACTING COMMISSIONER

February 23, 2006

Dear County Administrators/City & Town Managers:

RE: Revenue Sharing Program

We wanted to provide you with information on the Revenue Sharing Program application process for the upcoming year (FY07). As you know, based on "one-time" funding in the Budget Bill, this program was expanded last year. Subsequently there were several proposals introduced and two are still being reviewed by the General Assembly that could possibly amend the program again this year. We encourage you to follow these, which include Senate Bill 721 submitted at the request of the Governor as well as House Bill 681. The Budget proposals of both the House and Senate could also impact implementation of any Revenue Sharing legislation.

Recognizing there may be changes again this year, we will postpone the request for applications until after the General Assembly session. We will follow up with each locality once the General Assembly and the Governor have approved any legislation that may impact this program. We anticipate that each locality will have approximately two (2) months from the time we officially request applications to submit a full package through your local VDOT contact to the Local Assistance Division.

In the interim, we encourage you to start thinking about your interest in applying for revenue sharing funds this year. You may want to take this time to have a work session with your Board/Council and initiate dialogue on potential projects, preliminary estimates, and administration of the projects. At least one of the current proposals would offer a priority of funding to localities who propose to administer the proposed projects, propose to provide a match greater than that required by the program, or demonstrate the funds will advance an existing project. Things to consider when discussing with your Board/Council:

- A resolution outlining your request to participate and support of the potential projects identified for possible funding from the program (sample on the website) will need to be submitted, and



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- A *designation of funds* form which prioritizes the list of eligible projects with individual estimated project costs (sample on the website) will need to be submitted.

We look forward to working with you on this during the upcoming year. I encourage you to contact your Residency Administrator or Urban Program Manager for assistance in identifying projects or developing estimates. You may also reach me at (804) 786-2745 or Michael.Estes@VDOT.virginia.gov. As a reminder, our website is located at www.virginiadot.org/business/local-assistance.asp.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M. Estes', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Michael A. Estes, P.E.

bc: Barbara Reese
District Administrators
Residency Administrators
Urban Program Managers
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